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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Chief of Foreign Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Project ARBASIN

- l. Project ABBASIN is an SR project which includes all operations into the Estonian SSR. All activities connected with this objective, including both FI and PP/W missions, are responsibilities of the SR Division. Due to the fact that the project as originally written was omnibus in nature and did not clearly distinguish between the objectives of FI and PP nature, so that a determination of the funding could be made, the project as written has been rejected.
- 2. On 2 February 1953 this matter was discussed with ______ of SR. It was the consensus that the project should be rewritten as a basic plan to cover the establishment of the basic mission upon which separate projects will be based.
- 3. Inasmuch as activities have been carried out in line with the objectives of AEBASIN project and a need for funds exists at the present time, it is requested that the sum of

 be approved for the continuation of the current activities pending the time when the basic plan is prepared as a rewrite of the present project. It is estimated that the basic plan can be written and given policy consideration and approval by the end of February 1953. It is requested, therefore, that the sum mentioned above be approved to cover expenditures for operations up until the end of February when they will be taken over as a part of the basic plan.

APPROVED:

Chief, Foreign Intelligence

Chief, SR Division

cc: SR Division
Projects Branch, Plans/FI

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